'Dear Teacher'

A collection of parents' letters to their children's teachers.

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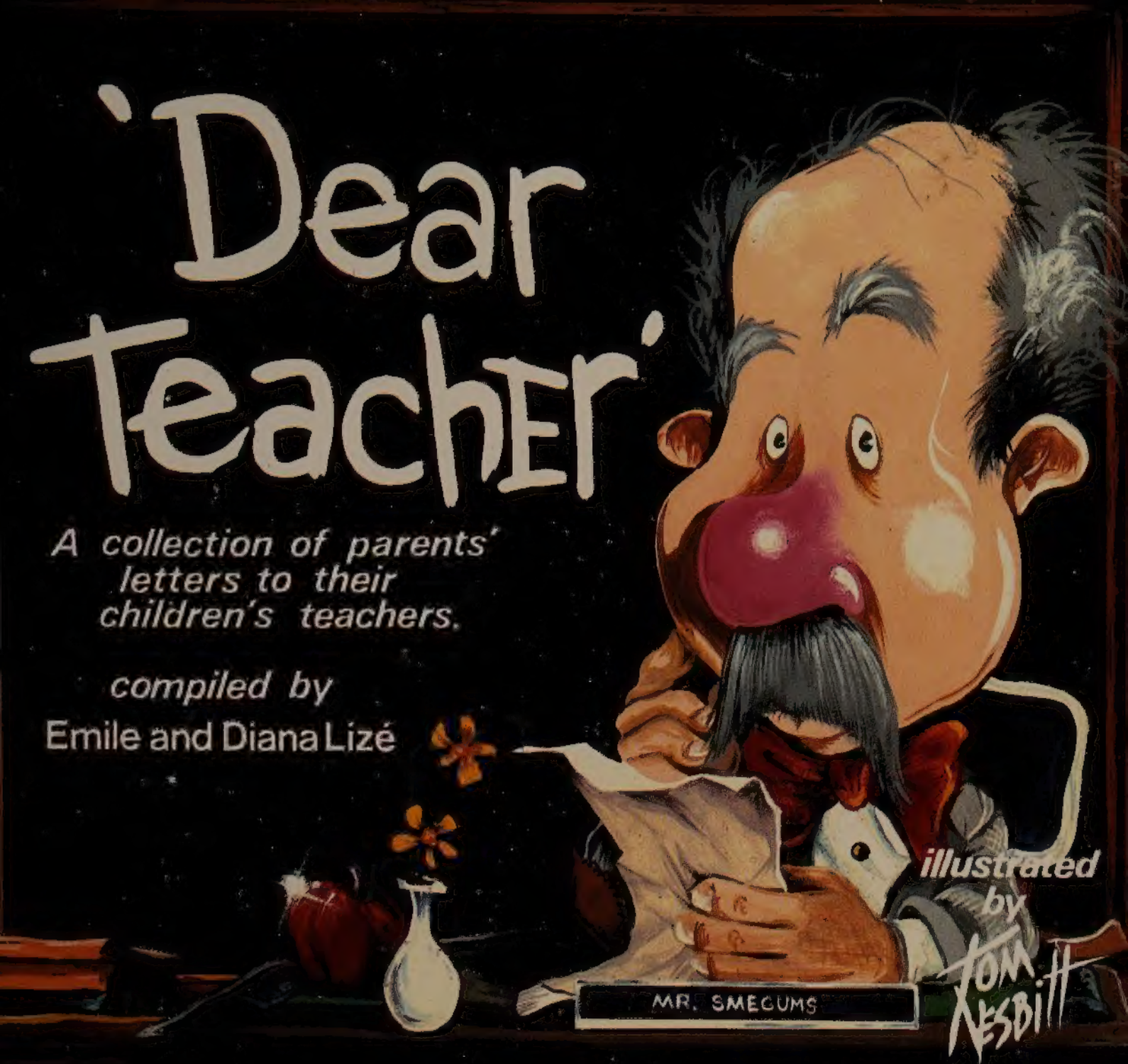

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Dedicated to the Classroom Teacher

For a multitude of sins, official parental approval is mandatory. Always left until the final disastrous minute, with the orange bus waiting at the end of the laneway—lights flashing impatiently—the cry is heard, "I need a note!"

Small wonder most notes are received written on bizarre scraps of material: wallpaper, paper towels, envelopes, kleenex, pages torn from diaries, bills, candy wrappers, cigarette packets, old shopping lists—whatever is closest to hand. Messages are usually succinct and phrased in the vernacular, evocative of the writer. Spelling, grammar and syntax are the last of the worries while Susie or Johnny waits restlessly, hand outstretched, one foot already over the threshold. The precious note is then crammed into a pocket or a lunch box and produced, crumpled and even damp, at morning roll-call.

Aristotle once remarked that humour is the enjoyment of the ridiculous without causing either pain or ridicule. A love of mankind is a prerequisite before being able to laugh at life. Our purpose, therefore, in compiling this collection of notes is to serve up some warm and gentle humour. We do not intend to offend and, indeed, had we wished to be satiric, far better had we canvassed the halls of academia, commerce or government, which would surely have provided volumes in the way of the bureaucratic **non sequitur**, a pompous turn of a phrase and the malapropism **par excellence**.

We wish to thank all those educational publications which kindly printed our request for notes, as well as every one of those unsung heroes from coast to coast who sent us contributions and who continue to guide and cherish our children, mop up tears (and worse!), apply bandages, tourniquets and splints, staunch nose bleeds, settle disputes, wipe noses, share lunches, mend broken toys (and hearts), give out pencils, stars, tissues and love, collect cookie money, milk money, swimming money, book money, trip money, skating money, lunch money, hot dog money (none of which ever balances!) and...notes, notes, notes.

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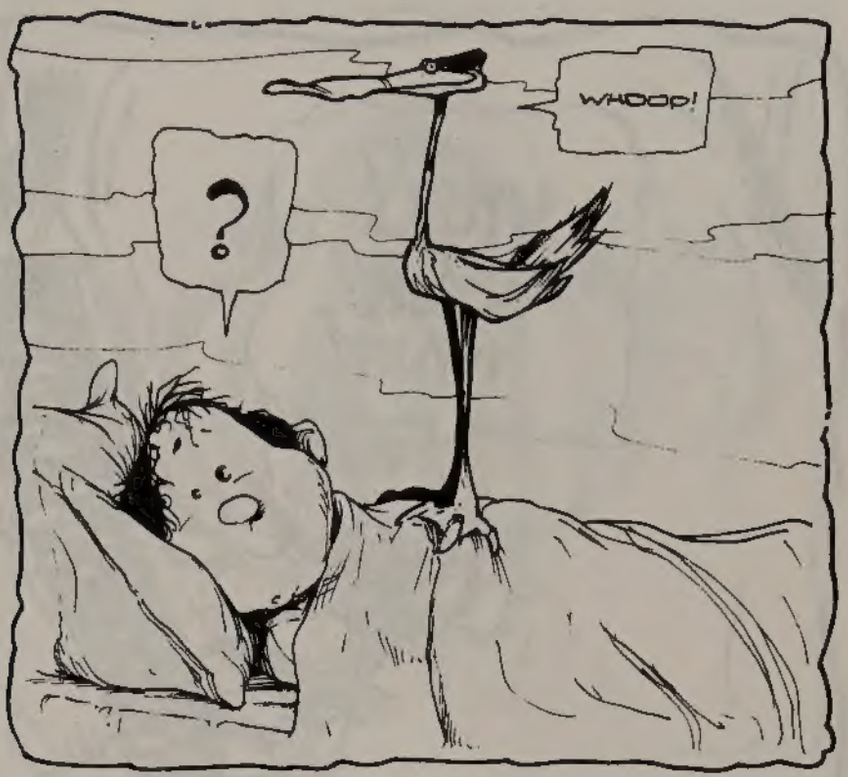
Dear Teacher:

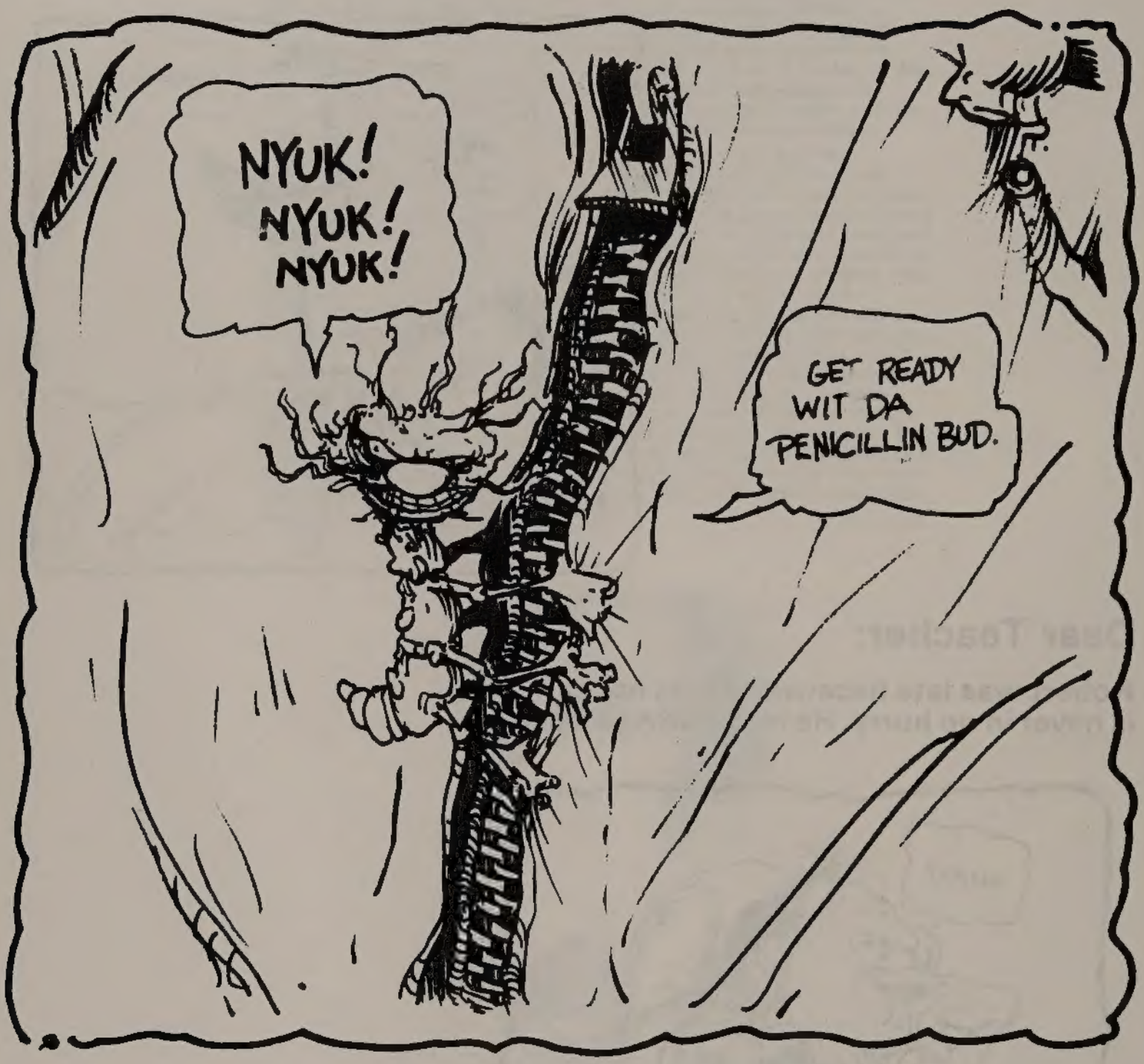
Stanley had to miss some school. He had an attack of whooping cranes in his chest.



Dear Teacher:

Robert was late because he was not early. He is never in no hurry. He is too slow to be quick.

Dear Teacher: Dick tells me you have been doing insects in the garden. Can you tell us anything about that little bug that gets on your dill and makes it shrivel up?



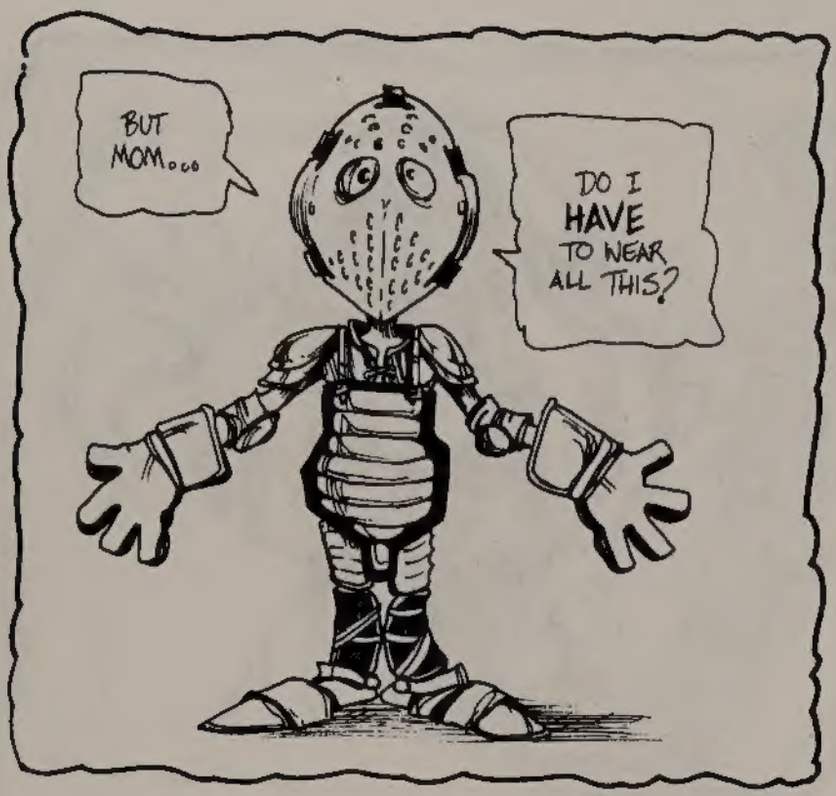
Dear Teacher:

Lynda was away as she had stripe infection and swallon gland.

Dear Teacher: Please excuse the stink on Bill's clothes. We've been spraying the garden because it is full of abnoxus incests.

Dear Teacher:

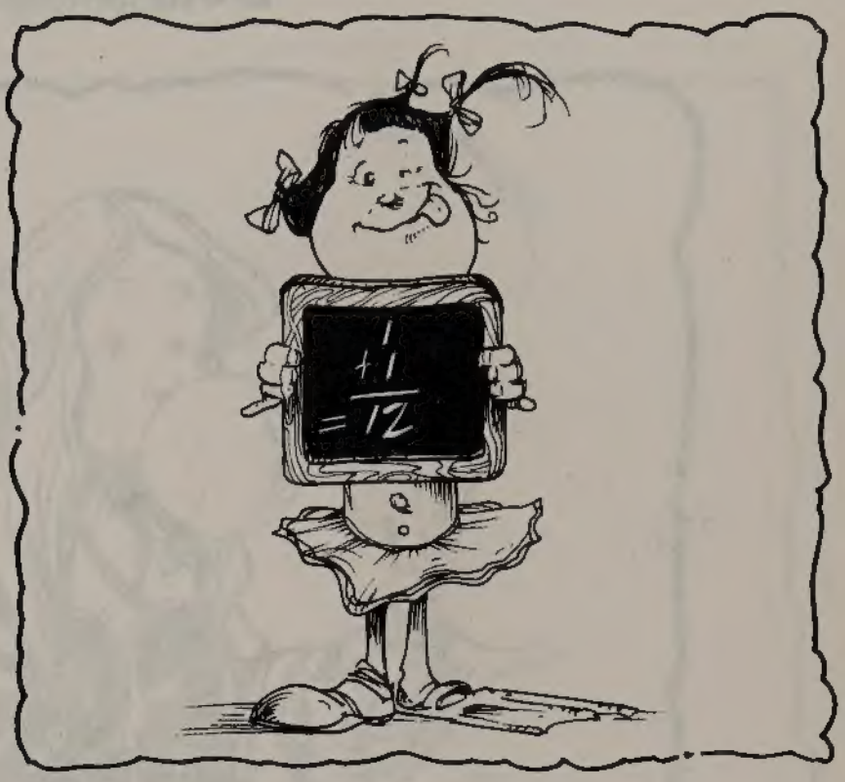
Jack didn't come to school yesterday due to the icy conditions and he is not insured.



Dear Teacher: Formula for tardy student. 1 over-permissive mother + 2 late night horror movies = 1 boy unable to attend morning classes.

Dear Teacher:

I kept Monica at home today because she was not feeling too bright.



Dear Teacher:

Monica has been absent from school yesterday because she has a gang over.

Dear Teacher: Please excuse Rachel's absence yesterday as we moved into a new apartment and it took us all day to clean up.
Rachel's husband.

Dear Teacher: Please excuse Rachel's absence this morning as she had to wait for some new furniture to be delivered.
Rachel's husband

Dear Teacher:

Ray was absent yesterday because he had a stomach.

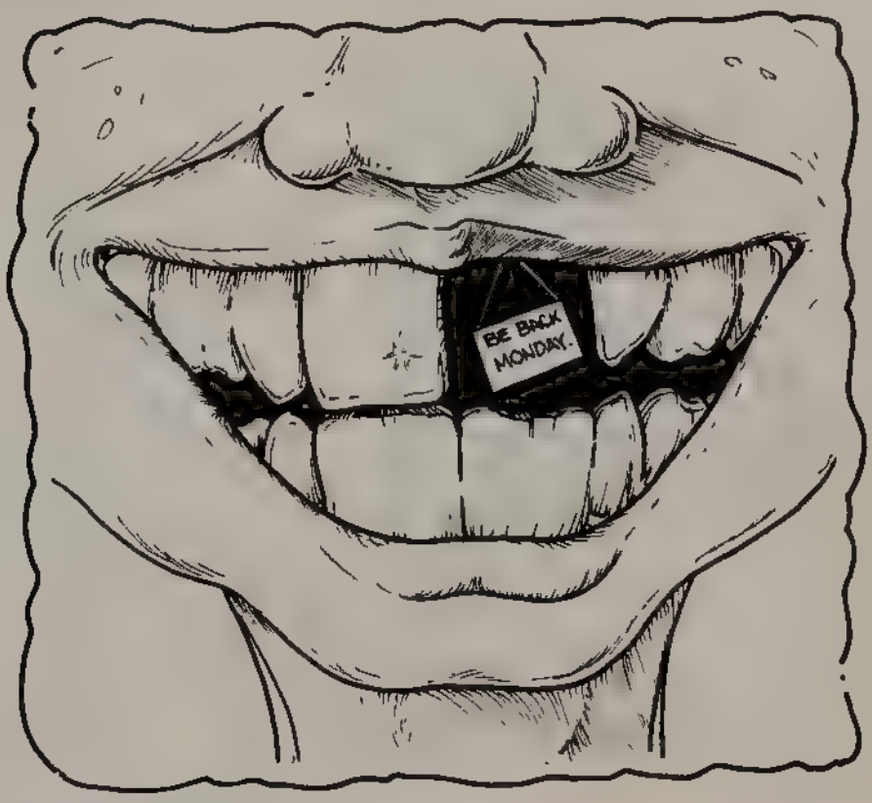
Dear Teacher:

Marian was sick. She was in bed under the doctor and could not get up.

Dear Teacher: Barbara was not at school yesterday afternoon because her mother was having a baby. It is not likely that she will be missing school again this year for the same reason.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Jane on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. She had an absent tooth.



Dear Teacher: Please excuse Tom from school yesterday. He had an appointment with the ornithologist.

P.S. His teeth will still hurt today!

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse my daughter's absence for the past week, as she had a case of the fool.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Mary from school she has a swollen tooth.

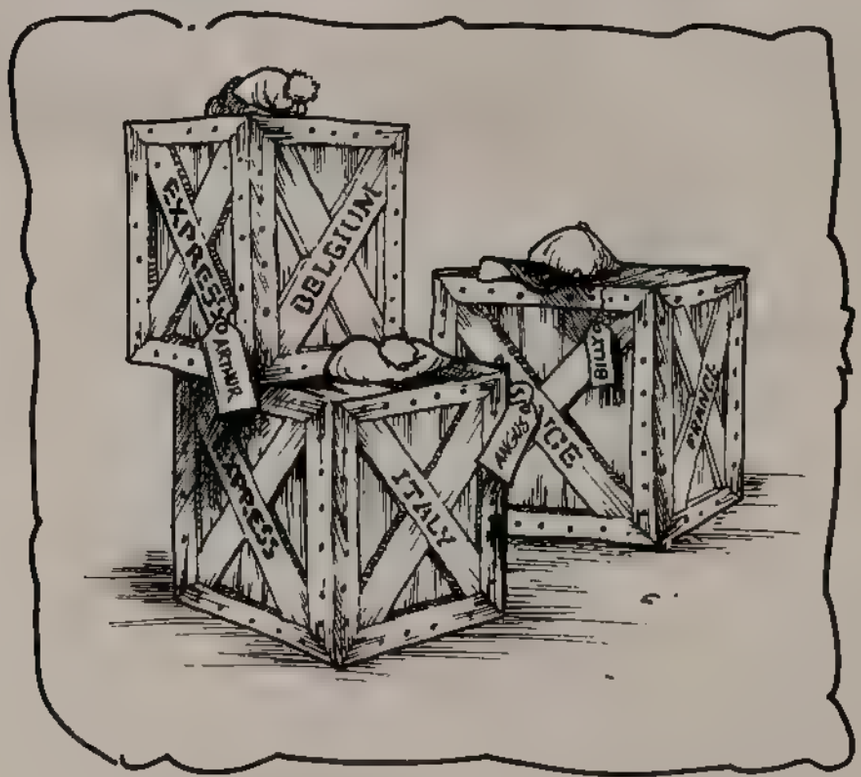
Dear Teacher: We started out on time but we found this big tiger and we chased it and caught it and took it to the circus man and that's why Ben's late and I'm sorry and it won't happen again... unless he sees another tiger on the way to school.

Dear Teacher:

Mary could not go to school today because she was bothered by very close veins.

Dear Teacher:

I give permission to take Billy to the farm—with my blessings to you and my pity to the farm—somewhere in Europe—I hope!

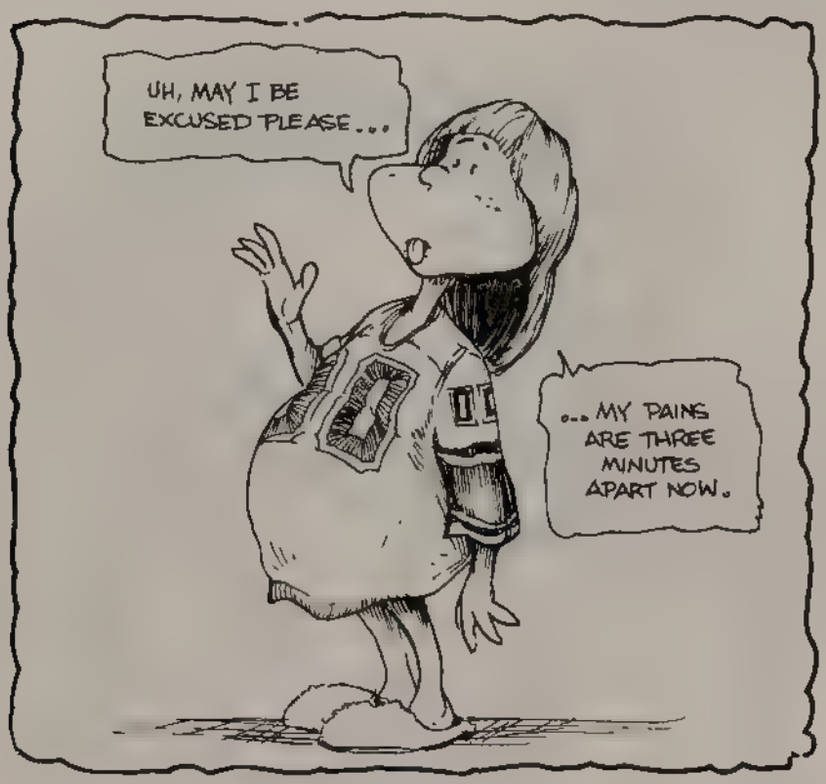


Dear Teacher: I, Mary Richards, under great pressure and duress am forced to write this letter consenting to the acquisition of a gerbil which "does not smell, eat very much, nor take up very much room" in the very limited space available in Wayne's room.

P.S. Thanks.

Dear Teacher:

Cheryl has been away from school because of child-birth.



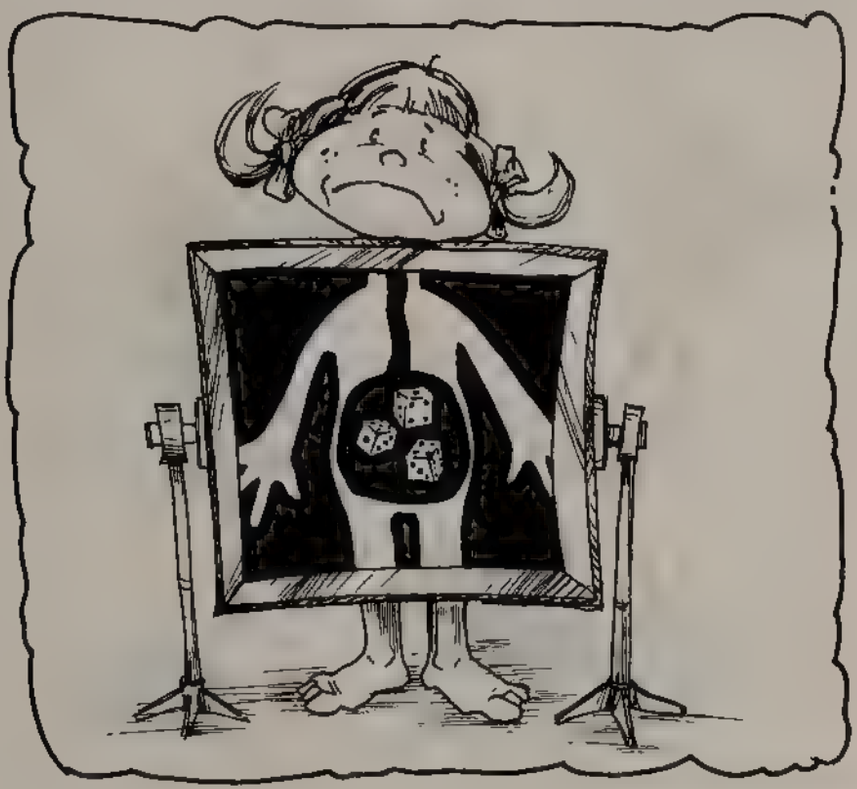
Dear Teacher:

Anne did not do her homework because I couldn't understand it.

Dear Teacher: Please excuse Chris's absence on Friday afternoon. I took him golfing with me. Chris shot an 86. I shot 92. Chris will not be absent to play golf again.

Dear Teacher:

Diana was away Friday afternoon because she was sick and had craps in her stomach.



Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Jim Friday. He has loose vowels.

Dear Teacher:

The basement of our house got flooded where the children slept so they had to be evaporated.

Dear Teacher: I am sorry Cathy was not at school on Friday afternoon as it was my day off work so I took her to the fair along with her brother, sister I had to treat them all equal or if I didn't there would have been a awful squable in the house.

Dear Teacher:

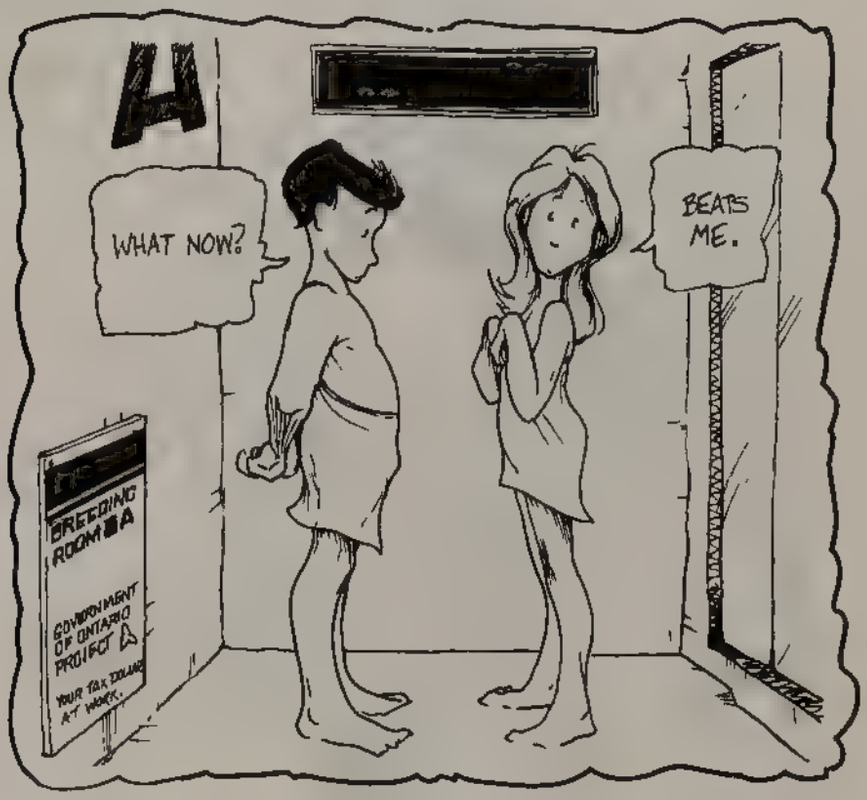
Tim was absent because he had 2 teeth taken out of his face.

Dear Teacher:

I kept Ron at home at the request of Mrs. Bright (school nurse). But I'm sending him back at the command of my husband.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Connie from gym class today, as she has difficulty breeding.



Dear Teacher:

Matthew was hit yesterday playing football. He was hurt in the growing part.

Dear Teacher:

Roses are red Violets are blue
Here's a note from Heidi To you
Heidi wasn't at school

The other day
'Cause
grandpa came
From
far away.

Dear Teacher: It says his Mental Ability on that sheet you sent home. I don't think you should be giving my child any of that mental stuff in school. He's not mental.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Johnny for being absent January 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33.

Dear Teacher:

This is to certify that Graham was needed at home for some important reason.

Dear Teacher: **Last Tuesday Sam broke his arm at school. What was he trying to learn? Did he succeed? As a result of this test, he did not come on Wednesday.**

Yours till the next Break

OKAY, NOW I WANNA SEE YA HIT THAT TARGET! AND GET YOUR SHOULDER INTO IT THIS TIME BOY!
GURNVILLE JR. HIGH SKY DIVING TEAM
COACH
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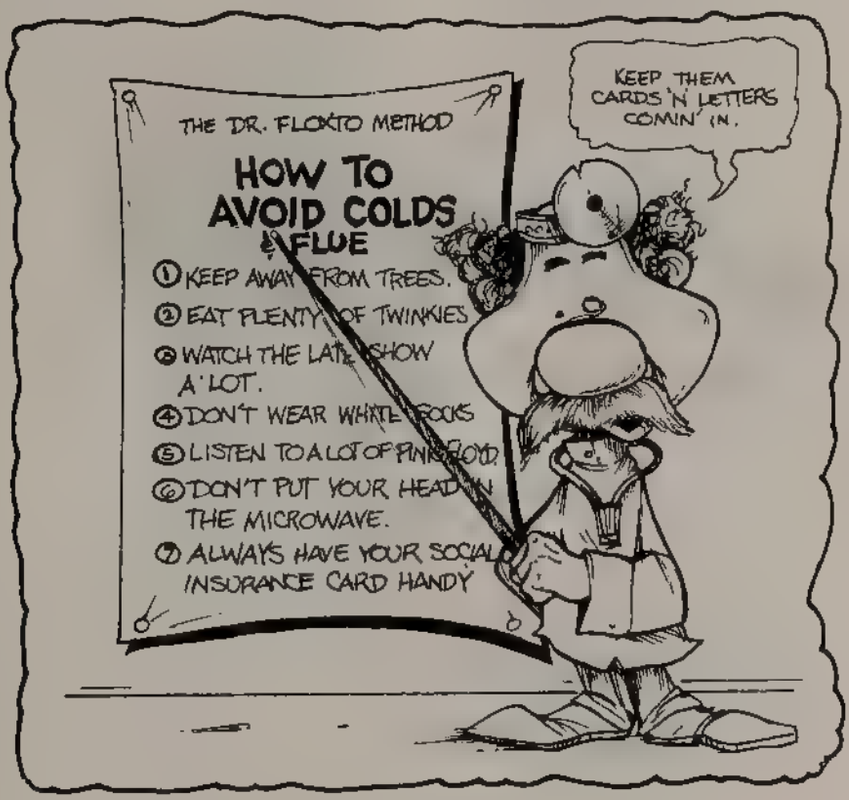
Dear Teacher:

I am sorry Cheryl was away yesterday, she was suffering from acute hypochondria.

Dear Teacher:

John hit a tree on the skiing trip and got the flue. That's why he was away.


KEEP THEM CARDS 'N' LETTERS COMIN' IN.
THE DR. FLOXTO METHOD
HOW TO AVOID COLDS & FLUE
① KEEP AWAY FROM TREES.
② EAT PLENTY OF TWINKIES
③ WATCH THE LATE SHOW A' LOT.
④ DON'T WEAR WHITE SOCKS
⑤ LISTEN TO A LOT OF PINK FLOYD
⑥ DON'T PUT YOUR HEAD IN THE MICROWAVE.
⑦ ALWAYS HAVE YOUR SOCIAL INSURANCE CARD HANDY

Dear Teacher: Cecilia missed school yesterday as you no doubt noticed. She was suffering from Bowling-itis. We didn't diagnose the case early enough or we might have sent her.

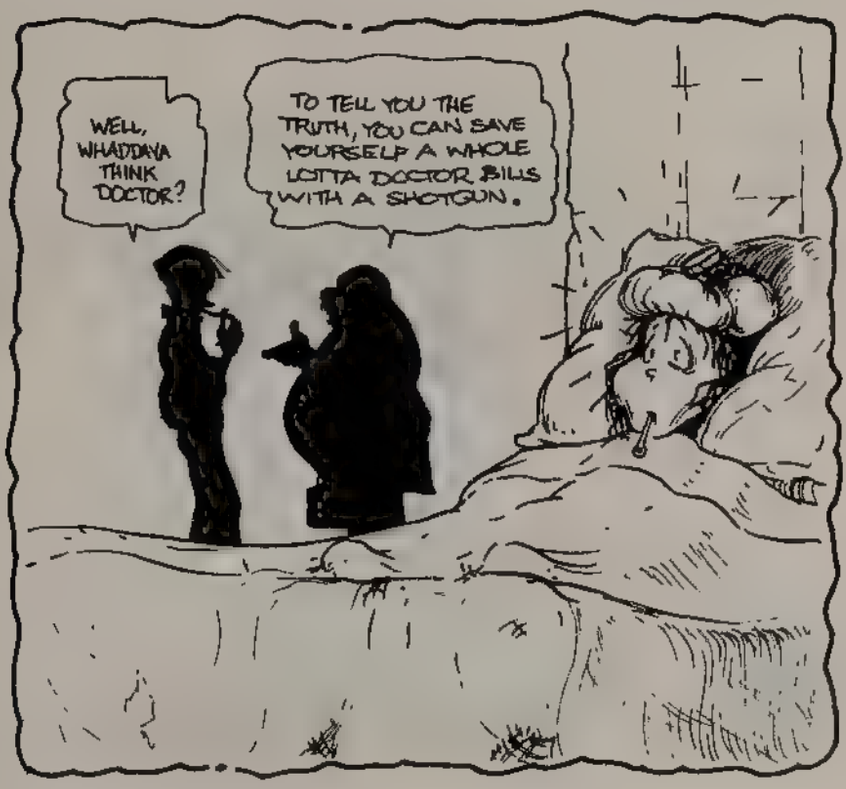
Please excuse, we will see the same ailment won't keep her out again.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Joe from school yesterday. He had diarrhoerea through a hole in his shoe.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Anne for being absent. She was sick and I had her shot.



Dear Teacher:

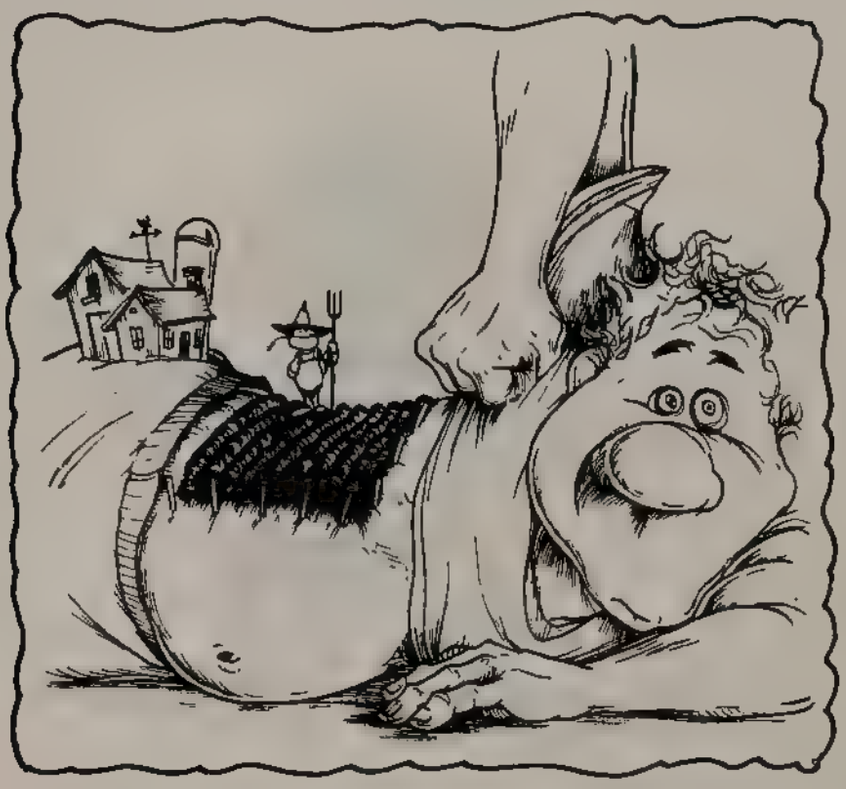
Joan frostbit her leg last Thursday and the doctor said she had to stay home until she shows signs of heeling.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Jane from jim today. She is administrating.

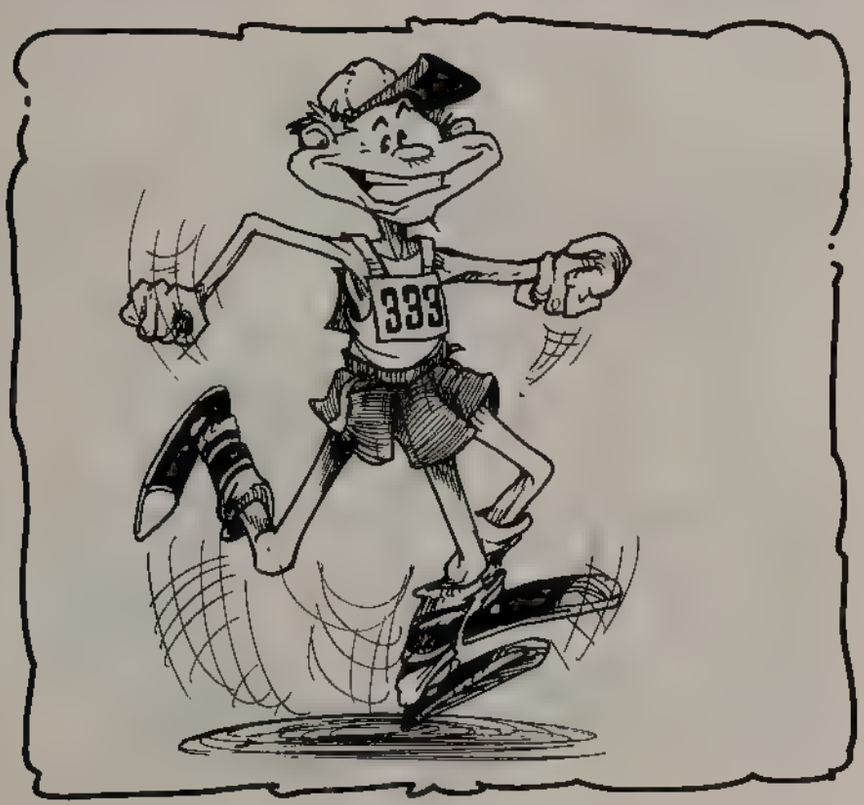
Dear Teacher:

Chris has an acre in his side.



Dear Teacher:

When are the three-legged people going to practice for the track meet because I want to take Jennifer to town for new runners?



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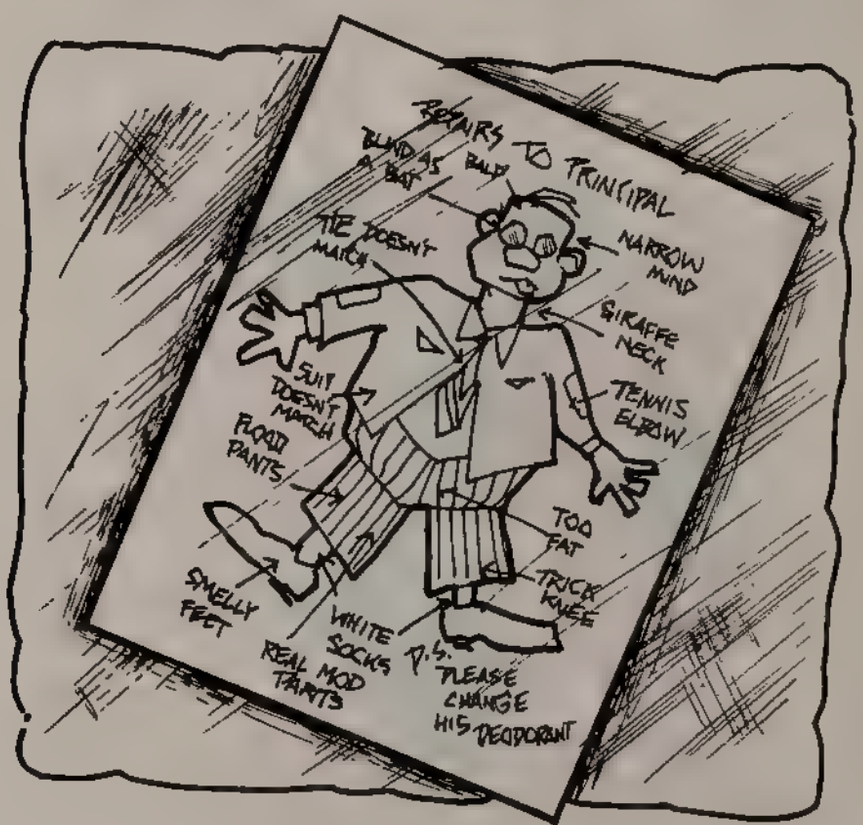
Susan was away yesterday morning because she was feeling good.

Dear Teacher:

I will send a list of repairs that need to be done to the principal as soon as possible.



Dear Teacher:

Please excuse John's absence. I had to keep him home to treat his inch.

Dear Teacher:

Bill was away yesterday because there was a big swanstorm and we couldn't get out of our driveway.

Dear Teacher:

You sent my boy home because he smelled. He smells the same as his father and I've had him for twenty years and he soots me. You must be old made and not know smell of man.

Dear Teacher:

My son is under the Doctor's care and should not take P.E. Please execute him.

Dear Teacher:

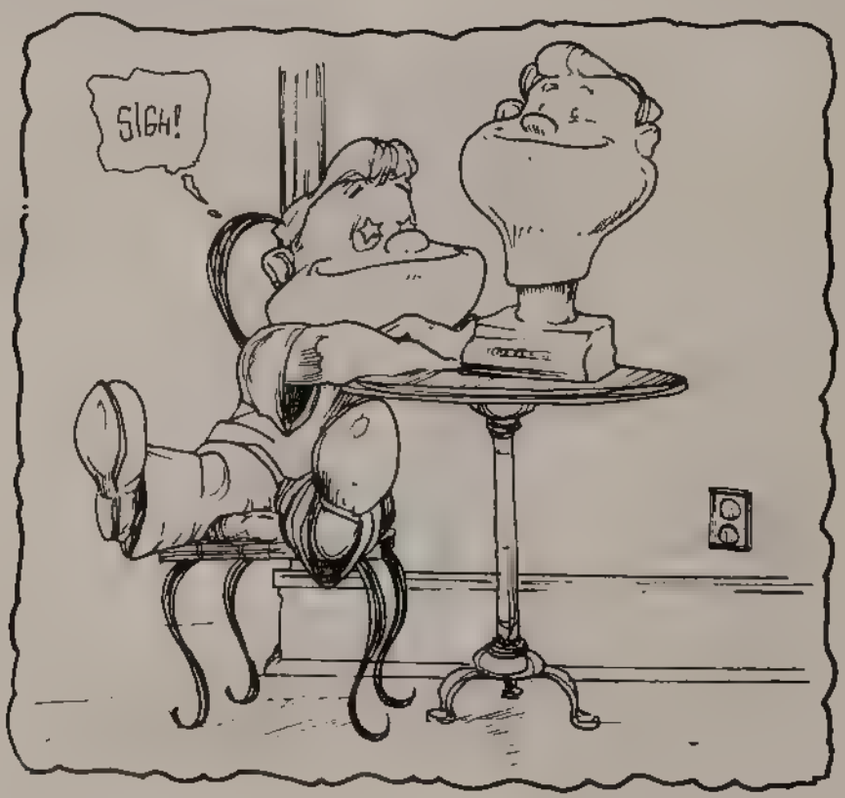
Please excuse Cindy from P.E. for a few days. Yesterday she fell out of a tree and misplaced her hip.

Dear Teacher:

Sorry Mary was late. She missed the bus and had to walk one and one half mules to school.

Dear Teacher:

Lee was absent this morning because he missed his bust.

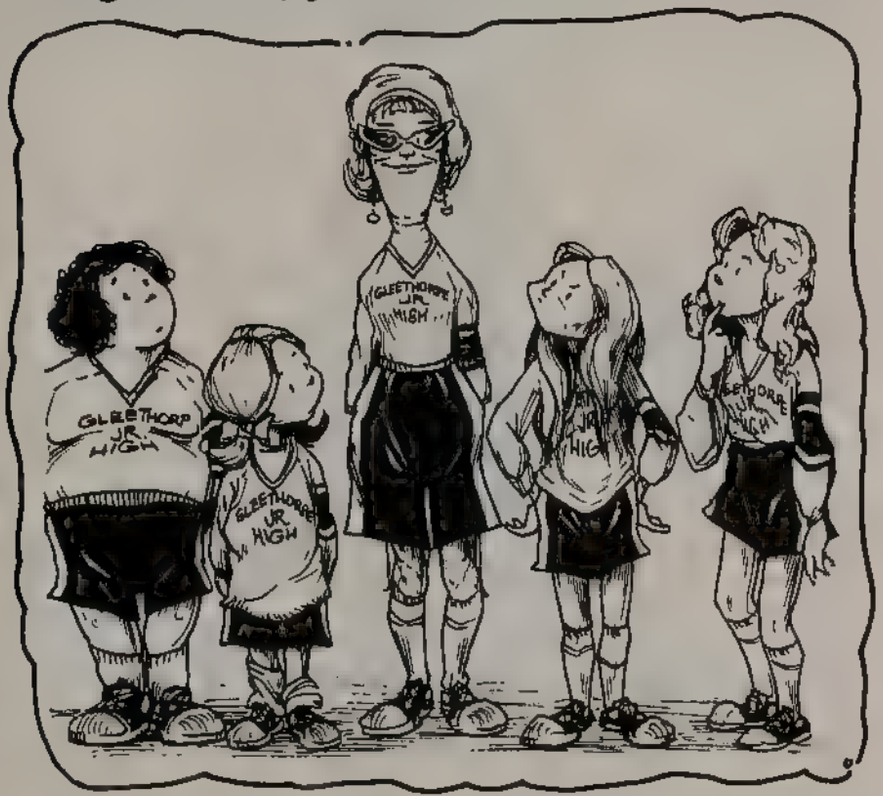


Dear Teacher:

Bill tripped over a loose broad in his bedroom and cut his toe bad.

Dear Teacher:

Sorry that we can't let Jean take the Physical Education course. She is going through her change of life, you know.



Dear Teacher:

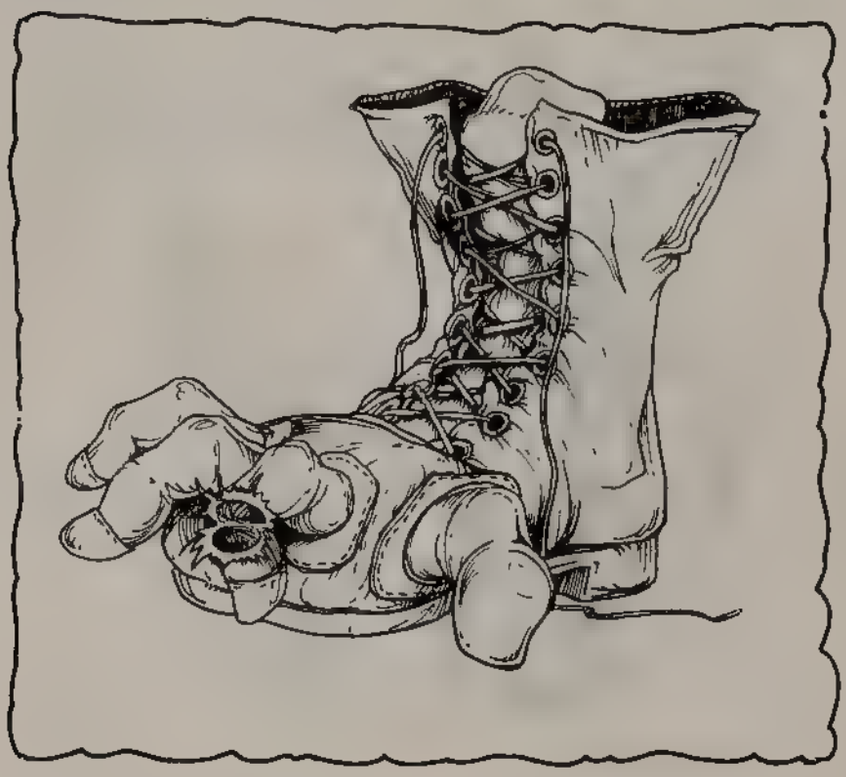
Please excuse Ted from school on June 10 as we will be going to Spookcan to see the World Fairy.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse John's absence for he has a cough and a cold which comes and goes. Yesterday it came.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Jake from P.E. as he broke the finger on his boot.

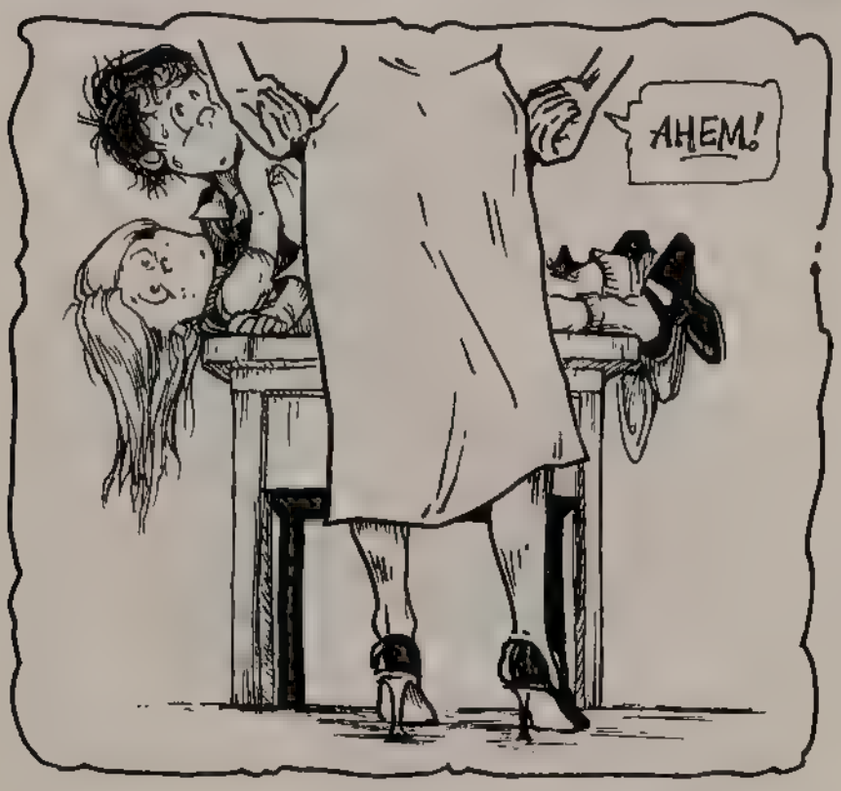


Dear Teacher:

I don't think you should be teaching the children that new English song. Millie says it is called London derriere.

Dear Teacher:

I am sending this book on how babies are born with Timmy. He had it last Christmas. You're doing it in class he tells me. I hope you like it.



Techer

I no my dotter dont read much but she aint illiterat. I married her father a week befor she was born.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse Bill's absence. His temperature returned to normal last Thursday but in the evening he sat on an axe requiring five stitches.

Dear Teacher:

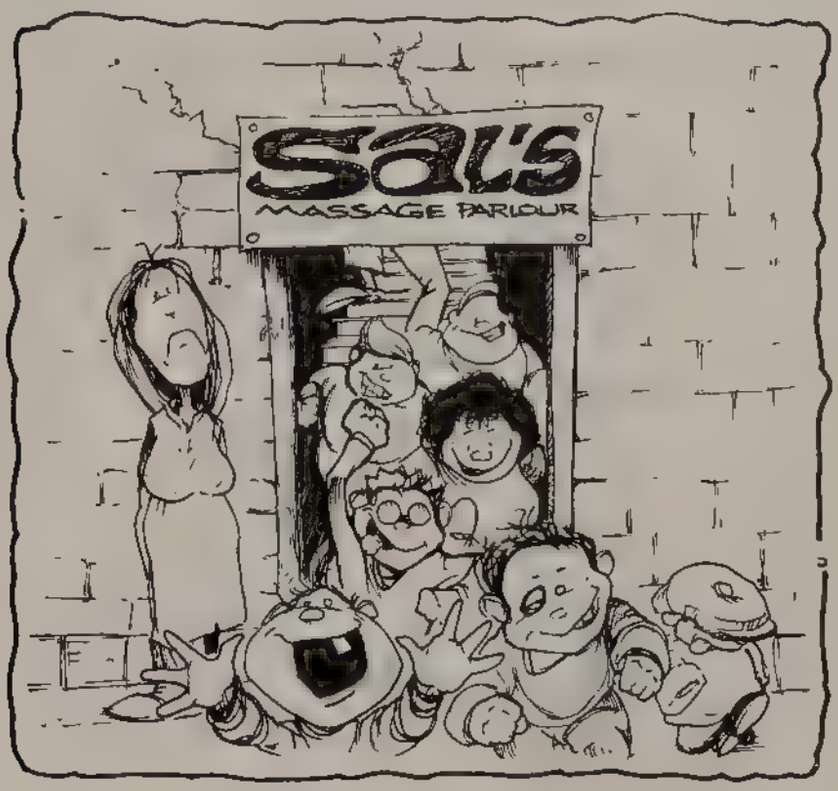
Dick was absent yesterday because of a sour trout.

Dear Teacher:

Please excuse my son from school for the morning as he had a headache and was extremely tired. Actually he was suffering from his birthday party hangover.

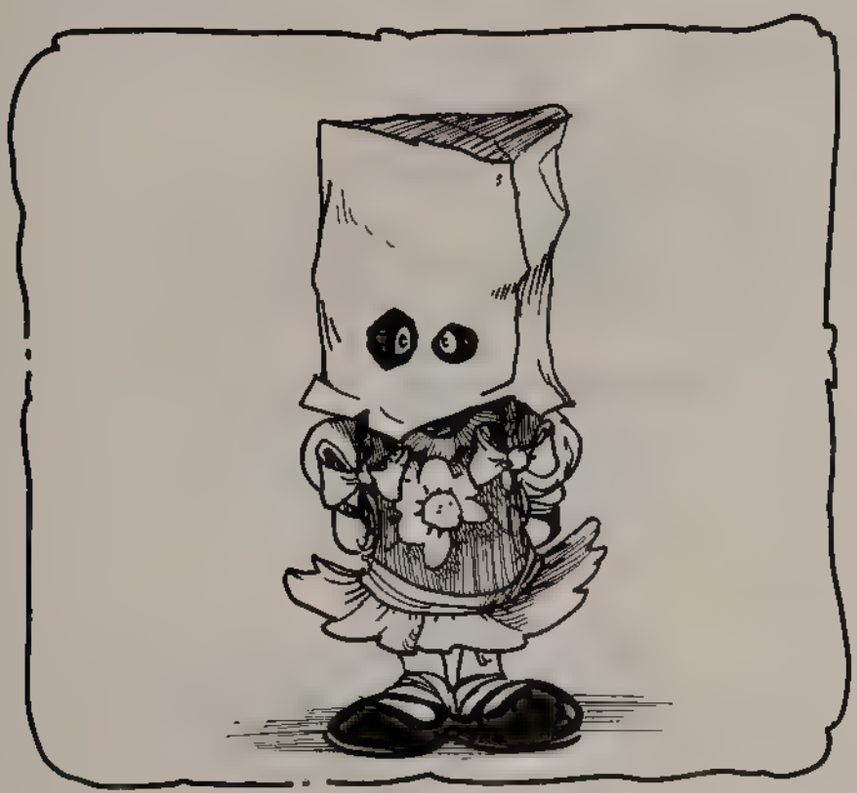
Dear Teacher:

Please let Jenny go on Andrew's bus today because I have to babysit my brothel's children.



Dear Teacher:

Bridget was absent yesterday as she was nauseating.



For Teacher
You better look over my boy's work a little better because you made things roung that was rite.
Because i will be over today

Dear Teacher:

Joey was away in Lethbridge with his father on business.

Dear Teacher:

Lisa's costume needs some stuffing in the bra and girdle. Could you please help stuff it for her? Thanks.

Dear Teacher:

**Johnny is at home for a few more days yet.
He is carrying a case of measles.**

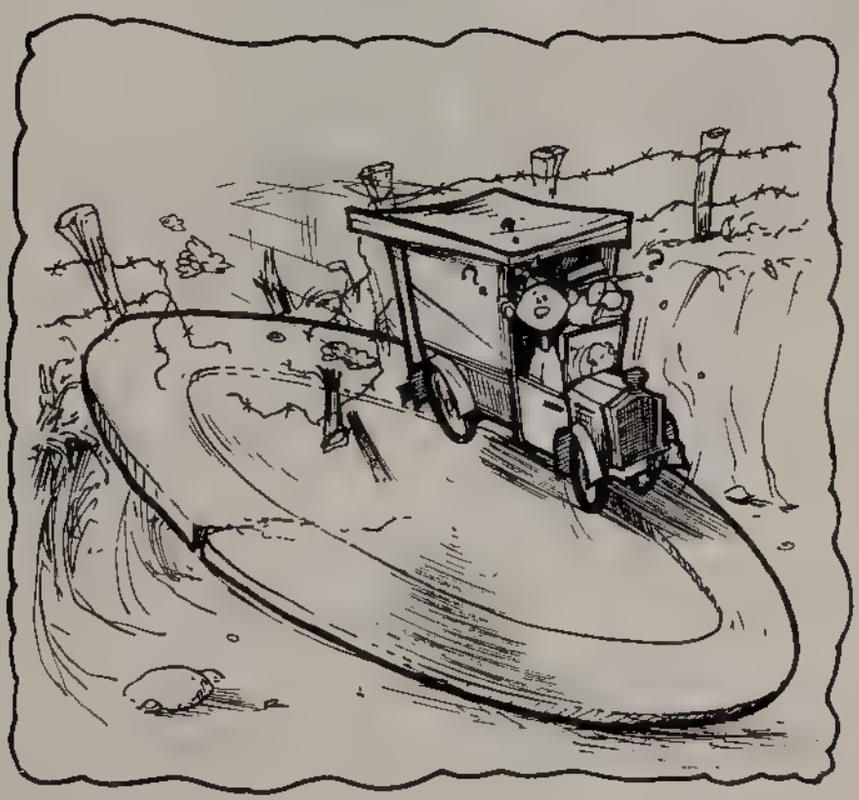
Dear Teacher:

Jenny has got a little bit of the trots so please let her go when she wants.

Dear Teacher: My daughter couldn't come to school Monday because she was tired. She spent the weekend with some Marines.

Dear Teacher:

His dad run the truck off the road into the dish.



Dear Teacher:

Regarding Jim's absence yesterday and this morning.

Beats me what you're suppose to write in a 'note'. If he'd come to school he'd hacked and coughed and generally disrupted the class; or woise yet fallen asleep.

I suppose your knowing I know he was absent is the idea.

So now you do.

Dear Teacher:

This will confirm to you that it was my authority, exercised herein, in the light of my knowledge of the pertinent circumstances involved that, with my expressed permission, Curtis Barkhouse, was with valid excuse, as I adjudged, absent from all of his morning classes today, December 5, 1968. His return, for the remainder of his classes today, follows the noon recess and his personal delivery of this letter, by hand.

The exigencies of certain unpredicted circumstances made his absence this morning a prudent necessity. I trust that it has not resulted in any serious inconvenience to his teachers or to the school's administrative authorities, and that in no way has it seriously impaired his scholastic progress.

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2136-The Shit List. The list is quite extensive and describes the versatile use of this clever word. There is, for example, "chicken shit" and "give a shit" and "shoot the shit". A very funny book, No Shit.

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